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SUBJECT: CCMS AD HOC MEETING: PROPOSED ESTUARINE MANAGEMENT
PILOT STUDY

1. DURING THE JULY 3 REVIEW OF U.S. IDEAS FOR POSSIBLE NEW CCMS PILOT STUDIES, A LIMITED NUMBER OF COUNTRIES EXPRESSED INTEREST IN THE CONCEPT OF A PROJECT ON ESTUARINE MANAGEMENT. THE FRENCH REP (STUYCK-TALLANDIER) SAID FRANCE WAS VERY INTERESTED AND WOULD TAKE AN ACTIVE PART IF SUCH A PILOT STUDY WERE APPROVED BY CCMS. ITALY (CORTELLESSA) RAISED THE QUESTION OF WHETHER RIVER DELTA AREAS WOULD BE INCLUDED IN THE PROPOSED SCOPE OF THE STUDY. THE U.S. (DAVIES) ASSURED PARTICIPANTS THAT THE OPERATIONAL DEFINITION OF ESTUARY INCLUDED SUCH AREAS. CORTELLESSA THEN INDICATED GOI INTEREST IN TAKING PART IN A STUDY IN THIS FIELD. THE UK(DORMER) EXPRESSED RESERVATIONS ABOUT THE POTENTIAL FOR COMMON LESSONS TO BE DRAWN FROM SUCH A STUDY, BUT INDICATED A WILLINGNESS TO PARTICIPATE.

2. THE GENERAL CONSENSUS OF THE AD HOC MEETING WAS THAT THIS PROJECT IDEA WAS APPROPRIATE FOR CCMS AND THAT IT SHOULD BE PRESENTED TO A PLENARY FOR REVIEW, HOWEVER,
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THERE WAS AGREEMENT THAT IT DID NOT HAVE TO BE ON THE OCTOBER 78 AGENDA.

3. THE U.S. AGREED TO CONVENE AN EXPERTS MEETING SOMETIME IN THE FALL OF 1978 TO DEVELOP A CONCRETE PROPOSAL WHICH WOULD TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE INTERESTS OF OTHER CCMS MEMBERS.

4. FYI: U.S. (DAVIES) AND UK (DORMER) REPS AGREED TO HOLD FURTHER INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS WITH BRITISH EXPERTS, PRIOR TO A FORMAL EXPERTS MEETING, TO REASSESS UK VIEWS IN LIGHT OF INTEREST EXPRESSED BY OTHER NATIONS AT AD HOC MEETING.
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